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## IN THE WAKE OF THE GAME

By Guy Malbert

Now that it's all settled, the sooner the better, meaning of course, the ultimate flush of the Virginia League.

Unfortunately the magnates fail to realize that where there are few people few people will attend the game. It matters not what the class of attraction offered, you can only draw a certain percentage of the population into a ball park.

At the meeting some one suggested that since the medicine had been determined upon, all that remained was to give it to the patient, the patient in this instance being the league. If it recovered from the dose all well and good; if it did not, then the medicine could still be called righteous enough, but the patient unable to stand the shock.

Of course, no one would question the men who said that they were in the game merely for the sport of it. However, it did look a trifle strange when the president of the league mildly suggested that if Richmond was willing to put up \$500 it might be arranged to have all of the week-end games played there.

H. C. Elliott, president of the Roanoke club, wants Bill Laval to manage the Tigers. Mr. Elliott is heavily interested in the Roanoke club; he has \$100,000 worth of stock. Also, he has \$100,000 worth of stock in the Norfolk club. But if he wants Laval he can have him for \$300.

Laval should make an ideal manager for Roanoke. If \$300 sounds too much to the Magic City club, then Laval can be had for Weicher.

Incidentally Laval insists that he will not work here in Richmond unless his terms are met, and his terms are more than his contract calls for.

Changes in the managerial end of the big leagues, plus the invasion of the Federal League, have presented the usual ante-season prospectus, of course, Clark Griffith has claimed the

permanent, but aside from him not a single owner or manager will offer an opinion.

As a matter of fact, there is entirely too much speculation. It looks at first as if the Giants and White Elephants are to repeat, but as they say in Chelsea, there's many a slip, etc.

## CAROLINA'S QUINT WINS CLOSE GAME

Woodberry Forest Throws Considerable Scare Into Ranks of University's Forces.

Orange, Va., February 28.—In a basketball game abounding in sensational plays and exciting from start to finish, the University of North Carolina defeated Woodberry Forest last night by the score of 25 to 21. The points scored 15 to 12 in favor of Woodberry at the end of the first half. Two field goals for the varsity quint in the last three minutes of play decided the contest. The schoolboys had the collection badly scored. Captain Long started for Carolina, his throwing of fouls being particularly good. Kennedy scored more than half of the points made by Woodberry. Owing to a train wreck, the visitors reached Woodberry eight hours behind time. It was after 9 o'clock when the game was called. The visitors left for Virginia Military Institute at midnight. The line-up:

North Carolina—Long (captain), right forward; Dowd Fleming, left forward; Johnson (goodman), center; Davis, right guard; Tennent, left guard. Woodberry—Brown (captain), right forward; Kennedy, left forward; Fitzsimons, center; McCall, right guard; Chatham Jones, left guard. Officials—Mr. Cartmell, of University of North Carolina, and Mr. Wilson, of University of Virginia.

## JOHNSON GIVEN MEAGRE SUPPORT

Washington Club Did Not Hit  
Overly Strong Behind  
Star Twirler.

BY ERNEST J. LANIGAN.  
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It is a matter of comment during the on and off seasons of baseball that certain teams but harder and field better behind certain pitchers than they do behind others, and it would naturally be assumed that the major league hurler who emerges from a season with the greatest total of victories to his credit would be the man who had obtained the finest backing—both on the offense and the defense.

Inspection of the records, therefore, should reveal the fact that Walter Johnson, of the Nationals, the man whom the 4,000,000 of newspaper experts voted the player most valuable to his team, had a great number of runs procured for him by his associates, who ought also to be reasonably supposed to have given him nearly as much support, so that he could have led the field.

The Senators neither when their star pitcher was laboring—at least they didn't in the twenty-nine complete games he pitched, twenty-three of which were victories and six of which were defeats.

In these games the Federalists obtained eighty-one runs to their opponents' forty-two, 224 hits to their opponents' 174. Johnson's record against opponents' fifty-eight, and twenty-two double plays to their opponents' sixteen. Thirteen of Walter's wins (complete games pitched only considered) were by a one-run margin, two by a two-run margin, three by a three-run margin, one by a four-run margin, two by a five-run margin, and two by a six-run margin. Six Walter had no reason to complain of the nerve displayed by his associates in rapping finishes, for they won five games for him in the ninth inning and one over-time battle.

Mathewson, whom many fans would like to see oppose Johnson in the world's series, was furnished with an average of 4.30 runs per game by the Giants, or 121 more than Johnson received from the Nationals. An odd thing about "Big Six" showing in the complete games he pitched was that the opposition made eight more hits than did the Giants, but forty-four fewer runs.

An artilleryman who had just cause for complaint about the hitting behind him was "Red" Russell, of the White Sox. He was furnished with an average of 3.15 runs per game, and frequently had to deny his adversaries a run in order to pull through a win. The Phillies did not hit behind him, but the Sox did. Behind Russell, Alexander, getting for him in such combinations as the one average of 3.60 runs per game from the Naps; Al DeMarco, an average of 5.09 from the Giants; Joe Wood, an average of 4.60 from the Red Sox; Eddie Plank, an average of 5.61 from the White Elephants, and Bert Humphries, an average of 6.48 from the Cubs. Of the ten star twirlers named, Alexander got the best support, with the worst while Rucker had the most double plays made behind him, and Wood the fewest. The figures are further information on the subject.

Cubs, behind Humphries—average runs, 6.46; average hits, 10.05; average errors, 1.22; average double plays, 0.62. Athletics, behind Plank—average runs, 6.46; average hits, 8.83; average errors, 1.25; average double plays, 0.50. Red Sox, behind Wood—average runs, 5.09; average hits, 8.6; average errors, 1.25; average double plays, 0.16. Giants, behind Johnson—average

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runs, 5.09; average hits, 9.51; average errors, 0.91; average double plays, 0.35. Naps, behind Gregg—average runs, 4.30; average hits, 8.86; average errors, 1.35; average double plays, 0.57. Giants, behind Mathewson—average runs, 4.00; average hits, 8.08; average errors, 1.16; average double plays, 0.76. Superiors, behind Rucker—average runs, 3.82; average hits, 8.87; average errors, 1.12; average double plays, 0.87. Phillies, behind Alexander—average runs, 3.17; average hits, 8.13; average errors, 0.73; average double plays, 0.47. White Sox, behind Russell—average runs, 3.15; average hits, 7.94; average errors, 1.19; average double plays, 0.84. Senators, behind Johnson—average runs, 2.79; average hits, 7.72; average errors, 1.17; average double plays, 0.76.

## TRINITY LOSES TO FARMER TEAM

Raleigh, N. C., February 28.—In the closest and most exciting game of the season, A. & M. closed her basketball season here tonight by defeating Trinity College by the score of 25 to 21. It took an extra five minutes to decide the winner, the score being tied at 15 to 15 in the fourth quarter. The winning basket for the Techs in the extra time.

In the first few minutes of play it looked like a walk away for the Methodists, they being up eleven points, while the Red and White were making one, but A. & M. made ten points before Trinity could make any more, tying the score. Trinity then made three more points, the first half making it 10 to 11.

In the second half a number of substitutes were used by A. & M. Sumner and Temple being put out for four personal fouls, as well as Thorpe, of Trinity. During the second half the game narrowed from one side to the other by a few points, the Red and White being up 23 to 22 at the end of the game, A. & M. winning by the extra time of play. The playing of both sides was excellent. Siler starting for Trinity, and Sumner, Federer and Mason for A. & M.

## WEATHER STOPS OUTDOOR WORK

West Raleigh, N. C., February 28.—Although the bad weather conditions which have prevailed here for several days have prevented any outdoor baseball practice by the A. & M. baseball squad, Coach Anderson has had all candidates for the positions of pitcher and catcher at work every afternoon in the armory to keep the men limbered up and to see what new material he has. If the weather admits, regular outdoor practice will begin in a few days.

The prospects seem bright for a fast aggregation this spring to represent the Red and White on the diamond, but nothing much can be told about the new material until regular practice begins. The weather has only admitted of two or three days' practice with the last month, when about fifty men were out going through preliminary practice. There were several men on the basketball team who were unable to get out at these practices, and as the basketball season ends Saturday night, all baseball material will be available, and Coach Anderson will commence work in earnest on Monday.

## PALMETTO DERBY GOES TO GARDNER

Charleston, S. C., February 28.—Ivan Gardner won the Palmetto Derby today, and forced Charlestonian, the favorite, into a corner.

Ivan Gardner was an outsider, the books offering as good as 10 to 1 against him. The district between a quarter and a quarter, and Charlestonian made the pace all the way. In the final drive he was not equal to the challenge, and both Ivan Gardner and Indolence passed him. The latter was a close second, and was coming within a whisker of the finish. The derby purse was \$3,000, the biggest to be offered at the present meeting.

It was announced to-day that the meeting had been extended until March 20.

## GENERALS' CHANCES APPEAR VERY BRIGHT

Irving James Carson Regarded as  
Real Pitching Find of  
Colleges.

Lexington, Va., February 28.—Washington and Lee ought to be a star in the box this season as she was two years ago, when Harry Moran and John Larrick were causing much anguish in the ranks of the opposition by fanning numerous athletes. Coach Dan Mahoney credits that Irving James Carson, of Dorchester, Mass., will be the Southern star sensation of the year. Carson, who, of course, has been named "Kit" by the student body, is a six-footer, and weighs as much as "Fat" Miller, Washington and Lee's noted football guard. He possesses great speed, sharp breaking curves, a puzzling change of pace, and can control the spitball.

Carson entered Washington and Lee because of his friendship for Captain "Jiggs" Donahue, and by an odd coincidence, Carson and Donahue are the only men at Washington and Lee who hail from the Bay State, the captain's home being in Somerville. They will make the most picturesque battery for Donahue, of the Braves, no taller, surely, but possibly a trifle heavier.

While he is a glutton for work, Carson will not be called on to do all the hurling for the Blue. Charles Lee of Jackson, Tenn., will frequently appear on the rubber, and a young Texan named Bryan, from Abilene, gives promise of developing into a star.

## R. A. A. F. HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Richmond Amateur Athletic Federation was held at the Armory last Friday night. There were twenty-eight members present. Thirteen delegates representing thirteen of the sixteen organizations within the federation took part in the voting and general business transacted.

Dr. C. M. Hazen called the meeting to order at 8:30 o'clock. The following delegates from the various organizations responded to their names: Richmond Blues, Mr. Richardson, McMill Union, Mr. McSweeney; Richmond Howitzers, Mr. Howe; Church Civic Association, Dr. Hazen; Virginia Boat Club, Allen J. Saville; Central Y. M. C. A., Mr. Ford; Benedict College, Father Raphael; Richmond College, Mr. Carter; Union Theological Seminary, Mr. Hart; Barton Heights Athletic Club, Mr. Haw; Highland Park Athletic Club, Mr. Miles; First National Bank, Mr. Crump; Duncan Baraca Class, Mr. Courtney. The Life Insurance Company of Virginia, Medical College, and Baraca Leagues were not represented.

Records of the first organization meeting of the R. A. A. F., which was held in the Mayor's office, and the first meeting of the executive committee were read by the secretary.

Sheppard Crump was called upon to give a review of track and field sports for the year, and he also outlined the baseball policy for the coming season.

Frank Rowe reviewed the basketball situation and expressed great hopes for the future for this winter sport.

Allen J. Saville read the report as treasurer which was accepted, and ordered to be filed.

On motion of Mr. Saville, seconded by Mr. Ford, the executive committee was sustained in its previous action in regard to the following resolution: "In connection with the coming championship games in basketball, it was ruled that it is understood that all championship games are to be played by the teams as constituted during the season, that is, no player shall be

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added after the regular games of the season scheduled have been played." Action was approved.

Mr. Crump submitted a number of amendments to the constitution and the following committee to arrange for the annual spring outdoor meet: Messrs. Saville, Ford and Miles.

Mr. Tousey, of the C. C. A., invited the federation to use the association field for the spring meet. Referred to committee. A. VanBuren was re-appointed registrar. F. S. Tousey was appointed publicity agent. Mr. Crump suggested B. M. Sutton as baseball secretary for the coming season. Mr. Sutton was appointed.

Friday, February 20, at the Blues' Armory was the date set to pass upon the amendments as submitted by Mr. Crump.

President Hazen closed the meeting by making a strong plea in defense of amateurism and fair play, stating that if the federation was to serve the various groups in the community on a common basis that absolutely fair play to every group, and to each individual must be made the paramount issue, and that the amateur standing of every individual must be held sacred.

V. P. L.'s Track Meet. The Little V. P. L.'s won the dual track meet with the Little University of Virginia yesterday in the "Hovellers" gymnasium, piling up a total of 26 points to their opponents' 6.

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